

RECORD MONTH IN REALTY TRADING

Unparalleled Activity Reported in Spite of War Conditions.

The month of May, 1917, will be remembered for some years to come by real estate dealers. Notwithstanding the fact that the nation is at war, transactions in real estate for the past month not only exceeded those of any previous month of the year, but surpassed the record of the like month for several years back.

Seven million dollars changed hands in sales and loans which involved 123 transactions. The feature transaction was that in which the property, known as the Lawrence House, at 2301 Kalorama road northwest, was purchased by John H. Hanger, for a price said to be \$50,000. The house is a fine example of old Tudor architecture and contains nine acres of land.

The residence of Mrs. Clara H. Mendenhall, at Sixteenth street and Blagden avenue, was purchased by a man whose name is withheld for a price said to be \$60,000. The sale was made through Russell H. Hanger, who also handled the Lawrence transaction.

Outlying parcels of real estate furnished the greatest activity during the week, nearly 50 lots being sold.

Plans for what is said to be the largest private conservatory in this part of the country have been prepared for the residence of Col. Charles F. Bryan, 1801 I street northwest. The conservatory will be located on a lot in the rear of Col. Bryan's home and is being built for Mrs. John Barton Payne, a sister of the colonel.

Purely Personal

Lester T. Ryerson, of the Government Printing Office, has resigned.

Horace E. Manthorpe, of the Interior Department, has received a promotion.

Reuben J. Korosa has received a probationary appointment in the War Department.

Michael H. Gronna, of the General Land Office, has been transferred to the War Department.

George Timmins, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a visiting friend in Southeast Washington, has been transferred to Norfolk, Va.

William T. Gregg, of the War Department, has been transferred to Norfolk, Va.

W. T. Herriage, plans to visit New York and Atlantic City.

Max H. Sweet has received an appointment in the Government Printing Office.

A. C. Tyler has received an appointment in the Department of Agriculture.

E. O. Conway will return to Norfolk today.

Howard Kirby, of Piqua, Ohio, has received an appointment in the Bureau of Animal Industry.

F. A. Toder, sugar cane technologist, is on a long tour through the South conducting investigations of sugar and cane syrup production industries.

W. W. Van Metre, of the office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, is on a leave of absence.

Stephen A. Kough, of the Division of Postal Savings of the City Postoffice, has enlisted in the navy.

C. W. Leiden, of the dairy division, Bureau of Animal Industry, is on a trip to Tennessee to observe demonstrations of cottage cheese making.

Ernest G. Woodward, of the Bureau of Naturalization, of the Department of Labor, is at the Fort Myer training camp.

Walter W. Cowan, a prominent official of the Panama Pacific International Exposition, held at San Francisco, arrived here yesterday afternoon, and is stopping at the Harrington.

Former Secretary of State John W. Foster is ill at his home, 123 Eighteenth street northwest.

Capt. C. C. Calhoun, re-elected president of The Southern Society of Washington, will take an active part in the entertainment of the visiting Confederate "crans here next week."

Frank Ferguson has been elected president of the alumni association of the Hubbard School.

Dr. James L. Gordon, pastor of the First Congregational Church, left yesterday for an extended lecture tour in the Middle West.

John J. Strain, formerly captain of the watch of the District Building, has been re-enlisted in the army and is now stationed at Syracuse, N. Y., at the recruiting station there.

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The Herald's Sunday Sermon

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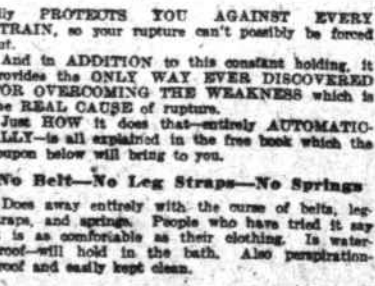
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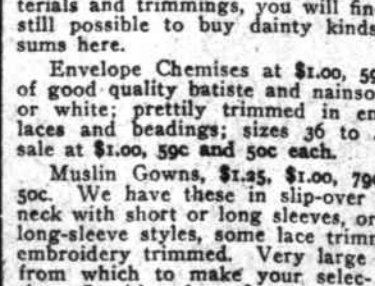
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